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Selection Criteria and Guidelines for Canada Winter Games

Purpose

This policy will be used to select a Provincial Team to attend the 2023 Canada Winter Games for Team Alberta.

Policy:

I. Points System and Procedure Ranked athletes

Any athlete that has achieved a National Team (E) standard that is valid at the time of the 2023 Canada Winter Games trial (Fall 2022) will be selected for the weight division in which they obtained their standard.

If there is more than one athlete in the same weight division who has scored a National Team (E) standard that is valid at time 2023 Canada Winter Games trial (Fall 2022), there will be a fight off. The athlete with the highest points scored in the CWG point system will be seeded #1 for the fight-off.

The Alberta Selection list for athletes that have not received an E standard is based on points accumulated per weight class as per the Canada Winter Games technical package.

Athletes need to score at least one win to score points in the selection competition to score points in the criteria. (Exceptions will be granted if there is only one competitor in the wt. division for that event).

The selection tournaments for the Games will start in the winter/spring of 2022 and consist of: the 2022 CWG Provincial Identification competition, the 2022 Edmonton International, the 2022 Open Nationals (Spring/summer), the 2022 Canada Cup (summer) and the 2022 US Open (summer). The final trial/fight off in the fall of 2022 will determine the selection of the judo team representing Alberta at the 2023 Canada Winter Games. (Competitions, location, & date TBD)

The 2022 Alberta Provincials winter/spring tournament will run a CWG age and weight divisions closed to Alberta athletes only. The 2022 Edmonton International, 2022 Open Nationals & 2022 Canada Cup will consider the results of U16, U18, U21 and Senior performances. The 2022 US Open will consider the results of U15, U18 & Senior results

Athletes cannot accumulate points from multiple divisions at any of the events. The best result of the athlete will count towards the selection points from that event.

Athletes need to have national level or international competitive experience prior to the final selection. To be eligible for final trials the athletes need to compete in a minimum of <u>four of the five selection events</u>. (2022 Edmonton International / 2022 CWG Provincial identification competition / 2022 Open Nationals / 2022 Canada Cup /2022 US Open*)

Judo Alberta would like to fill all weights division if possible. However, if no athlete meets the eligibility standard, we can fill another weight division with a second athlete provided we do not go over our allotted 7 athlete quota per gender. If an athlete does not make the eligibility standards of <u>participating in 4 of 5 events</u>, they will not be invited to the final selection event.

Participation Exemptions (Extenuating circumstances including injuries)

If an athlete must miss a selection event for any reason, the athlete's judo club must write a letter to the Judo Alberta HP Coaching staff 1 week prior to event explaining why. The provincial coaching staff will then review and make a decision regarding points and credit for the event based on individual circumstance.

Note: If an event will not occur or is cancelled, the Judo Alberta HP Coach Committee can reassign a competition or amend the selection policy with approval from Alberta Sport, Physical Activity and Recreation (SPAR).

2022 Spring/Winter Judo Alberta CWG Selection Competition Points

1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place
3	2	1

2022 Edmonton International Competition Points

Age	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	5th Place
U16	3	2	1	
U18	4	3	2	1
Senior	5	4	3	2

2022 Open Nationals, Canada Cup & US Open SR/U21, U18 Points & U16 Points**

Age	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place	5th Place
U15 (USA)	3	2	1	
U16	4	3	2	1
U18	5	4	3	2
U21	6	5	4	3
Senior	7	6	5	4

- *Athletes selected for the 2022 Cadet World Championships will be given credit for 1st place points for any events that might conflict with National team activities.
- **Athletes cannot accumulate points from two different age divisions the SR, U21, U18, U16 and U15 weight divisions during selection events. The best result of the athlete will count towards the total selection points.

The <u>number one seed will be determined following the 2022 US Open competition</u> for each weight division.

2022 Fall Final Selection Trial

If the number one seed wins the fall Judo Alberta Canada Winter Games selection trial (September / October 2022), they will be nominated to represent Team Alberta at the 2023 Canada Winter Games. If the number one seed of the weight division loses in the selection trial, they will be given a 1 match fight off. The winner of this match will represent Alberta at the 2023 Canada Winter Games. The athlete that finished second at the final selection trial or fight off will be named as a reserve for that weight division.

The final selection trial will be round robin for divisions of 5 athletes and less. The final selection will be 2 pools of 3 athletes with a semi-final & final for a division of 6. The final selection will be a modified double elimination for divisions with over 6 athletes.

Athletes that change weight division for the final selection competition will have their points cut by 50% to determine their seeding.

If, following the final selection, there are weight divisions that do not have a representative because of not meeting the eligibility criteria, Judo Alberta will review the results of each of the reserve athletes to determine any further selections for the 2023 Canada Winter Games Team.

II. Judo Alberta Requirements

- 1. Athlete must have been a resident of Alberta for six months.
- 2. Athlete must present proof of age when required.
- 3. Athlete must be a paid-up member in good standing with Judo Alberta and Judo Canada.
- 4. The athlete must comply with all Judo Canada restrictions at the time of the final selection tournament, to be included in the Provincial Team list.
- 5. Athletes need to have a minimum rank of green belt prior to the final selection event to participate at the 2023 CWG.
- 6. Following the final selection in the fall of 2022, athletes will be asked to stay within 5% of their weight division during the final training phase for the 2023 Canada Winter Games. Selected athletes will be expected to compete in the weight division they have been selected in during the training phase following the final selection.

III. Appeal Procedure

There will be no appeals allowed for on-mat contention. An appeal will be allowed only if it is a question of eligibility of a competitor and must be done before the first match of the athlete in question. The appeal must be in writing and submitted to the sport coordinator or designate within 1 hour of the notification of a request for an appeal. An appeal committee will be composed of the provincial head coach, the CWG sport coordinator, and the technical committee chair, or a designate of each position. A decision on the appeal must be made within 1 hour of the receipt of the written appeal. The decision will be made in writing to all parties involved and will be binding.

IV. Funding

Judo Alberta may provide funding to various competitions for Alberta Canada Winter Games eligible athletes, budget permitting.

V. Modifications of the Selection Criteria

Judo Alberta can modify the selection criteria as needed with the approval of the High-Performance Coach Committee, the Judo Alberta Executive and Alberta Sport, Physical Activity and Recreation (SPAR).